

authorizing certain transfers of licenses under certain circumstances; authorizing the Department to adopt by regulation certain standards for certain license transfers; requiring the Department to establish by regulation a certain procedure for the voluntary registration of certain vessels on certain licenses; providing for the temporary suspension of a tidal fish license; requiring ~~permanent~~ revocation of a tidal fish license under certain conditions; defining certain terms; requiring certain reports; *establishing certain times, methods, and limits for catching crabs, notwithstanding certain regulations*; providing for the termination of this Act; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to the licensing of commercial fishermen and fish dealers and limiting entry to the commercial fisheries for new applicants.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Natural Resources

Section 4-101, 4-206, 4-210, 4-701, 4-713(a), 4-736, and 4-804

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1989 Replacement Volume and 1993 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Natural Resources

Section 4-703 and 4-709

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1989 Replacement Volume and 1993 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Natural Resources

Section 4-814

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1989 Replacement Volume and 1993 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article – Natural Resources

4-101.

(a) In this title, the following words have the meanings indicated.

(b) “Catch” includes to take, kill, trap, gather, harvest, or in any manner reduce any fish to personal possession.

(c) “Closed season” means the time during which any particular species of fish may not be caught legally and includes any period of time not included within the open season.

(d) “County” includes Baltimore City unless otherwise indicated.